BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments Sections 700E(a) and (b) Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Subsections (a) and (b) of Section 700E of Article 27 — Crimes and Punishments, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

700E.

- (a) The Division of Correction is authorized to establish an "extended work release program" under which inmates sentenced to the jurisdiction of the Division of Correction for desertion or nonsupport of [wife] SPOUSE, children or destitute parents, may be granted the privilege of leaving actual confinement for the purposes of working at gainful employment and/or to live in a noninstitutional environment. Such program may also include, under appropriate conditions, release of an inmate to live at home under intensive supervision by the Division of Parole and Probation.
- It shall be the duty of the Division of Parole and Probation, when an inmate convicted of desertion or nonsupport of [wife] SPOUSE, children, or destitute parents, is first received at an institution of the Division of Correction, to cause to be made such investigation as may enable the Commissioner Correction, or his designee, to determine the advisability of placing said inmate in the "extended work release program." The Commissioner of Correction, or his designee, after reviewing the results of said investigation may approve, disapprove or defer action as to any particular inmate. In the event of approval, the Commissioner or his designee, shall adopt a plan for said inmate which shall contain such terms and conditions as may be necessary and proper. Such plan shall be signed by the inmate prior to his participation in the program. Such plan may be conditioned upon the inmate's agreement to waive his right to contest extradition proceedings. At any time after approval has been granted, it may be revoked for any reason by the Commissioner.